



# MEETING THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE

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## Abstract

### *"The Importance of the Cost, Schedule and Technical Baseline"*

Today's environment of tight budgets, schedule constraints and technical challenges has made baseline establishment and maintenance extremely important. If a project team does not plan the work and remain vigilant about updating the plan, they are operating without an integrated approach to completing the task. An additional complication NASA managers face is the confusion between the performance measurement baseline and the Program Operating Plan (POP) process.

The panel members, who are experts in program control and project management, will discuss the difference between the two "budgets" as well as their linkage. They will also discuss their experiences in managing major projects and their insights into what to consider in establishing a workable baseline.



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